

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Attorney Docket No. 0503-1009

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To the Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventors: Olivier MATILE

Corresponding to French Appl No. 0103265 filed on March 9, 2001

Title: LASER CUTTING METHOD AND APPARATUS WITH A BIFOCAL OPTICAL MEANS
AND A HYDROGEN-BASED ASSIST GAS

Enclosed are:

☐ 11 Pages of Specification containing 12 claims☐ Sheets of formal Drawings ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure☐ Submission of English translation of prior provisional application
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named in the prior application (see 37 CFR 1.63 (d)(2) and 1.33(b))☐ Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27☒ Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.76☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) w/PTO-1449 - ☒ Copy of IDS citations☒ Preliminary Amendment☒ Itemized Return Receipt Postcard☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

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